

Holidays in the Vue Parade

2026 Participant Overview



The Holidays in the Vue Parade is an inclusive, family-oriented event that portrays the goodwill associated with the holiday season, while building a strong sense of community. Held the first Saturday in December, the Parade has become a Bellevue tradition uniting businesses, organizations, schools, residents and volunteers to celebrate the December holidays - Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa. Founded in 2024 by a group of four female community volunteers, the Parade is organized by Holidays in the Vue, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Parade Timeline – Saturday, December 5, 2026

8:00 to 9:15 am	Entries Arrive in Parade Staging Area Bellevue Middle School, 655 Colice Jeanne Road <i>Arrive only from Old Harding Pike / Baugh Road side of Colice Jeanne Road</i>
9:30 am	Entrance to Staging Area Closes for Final Parade Line Up Adjustments
9:30 am	Parade route closure begins to vehicles/traffic
10:00 am	Parade steps off from Bellevue Middle School
11:30 am (approximately)	Parade concludes and releases at One Bellevue Place; all roads re-open on a rolling basis behind the Parade

Parade Route

The Parade staging is at Bellevue Middle School, located at 655 Colice Jeanne Rd. The Parade steps off from Bellevue Middle School onto Colice Jeanne Rd, proceeding to the Highway 70 South / Colice Jeanne Rd intersection near Red Caboose Park, with a left turn onto Highway 70 South. The route continues on Highway 70 South and then right onto Sawyer Brown Road. At the Sawyer Brown Road / Esterbrook Drive intersection, the parade releases into One Bellevue Place. The Parade route is approximately 1.2 miles.

Parade Participants - Entry Application & Fees

We expect a record number of applications to participate in the Parade. The total number of entrants we can accommodate is capped, and specific entrant categories are limited. Therefore, it is important that you provide us with a summary of your entry in the application. Community connection, visual/entertainment value, and holiday spirit will be among the factors considered. Past participation or sponsorship does not guarantee acceptance. All applications will be reviewed by the Parade Committee and applicants will be notified if your entry is accepted. No applications accepted after 5 p.m. on Monday, November 2, 2026.

Entry Fees

Entry fees are non-refundable for accepted Parade entries.

- **\$75 for entry by Commercial Businesses** – This includes all for-profit business entities.
- **\$30 for entry by Non-Commercial and Non-Profit Organizations** – This includes non-profit and non-commercial entities, including schools, churches, civic/service clubs, individuals, government officials (elected, appointed, running for office and all other not-for-profit entries).
- **No Entry Fee** for Presenting / Signature / Supporting Sponsors; Marching Bands (including school entries from the same school as their band); First Responders (Law Enforcement, Fire, Ambulance, Military, or similar agencies); and selected unique or special entries as determined by the Parade Committee.

**TO APPLY Submit the Parade Entry Application Form and Waiver online
by Monday, November 2, 5 pm at:**

<https://form.jotform.com/holidaysinthevue/2026-holidays-in-the-vue-parade-ent>

If accepted, we will notify you via email and provide you with a link to pay the Entry Fee online via the Zeffy platform. Payment must be received no later than the Participant Orientation Meeting that you must attend. Failure to meet this deadline will result in forfeiting your acceptance as a parade participant.

Parade Orientation Meeting – Attendance MANDATORY

All entries MUST have a representative at one of the Parade Orientation Meetings. We will give out entry time and location for the staging area and instructions for the day of the Parade. Participants must be present at the meeting to pick up your entry packet or you will forfeit your registration! Meetings will be held on Saturday, November 14 at 10 a.m. and Wednesday, November 18 at 6:00 p.m. at James Lawson High School.

Parade Cancellation Policy

The Parade will go on Rain or Shine. However, in the event the Holidays in the Vue Parade should be canceled due to unsafe weather conditions or other significant safety/security concerns, the following procedures will be implemented:

1. The cancellation decision will be made by 8:00 AM on the day of the Parade.
2. Notice of the cancellation will be posted on the Holidays in the Vue website (www.holidaysinthevue.com), social media accounts, sent to traditional media outlets and emailed to the registered participants.
3. There is NO Parade “Rain date” or “Make-up Date.”
4. There will be NO refund of entry fees due to cancellation.

Parade Awards

We want to honor our participants and a panel of judges will award the following categories:

- Best Performance – Best group of any size, primarily march, dance and/or cheer. Entry showcases their talent as they pass the judges’ area, so any performances should be done while walking.
- Most Creative – Best entry that has movement, originality, craftsmanship, interesting materials used and unique public appeal.
- Most Festive – Best entry that represents “Holidays in the Vue”, festive in design (colors, costuming, etc) and public appeal.
- School Spirit - Best entry representing a school that showcases excellence in creativity, originality, holiday spirit and entertainment value.
- Judges’ Choice – The judging panel may select an entrant to be honored for attributes the judges felt were deserving of special recognition or to an entry that doesn’t fit into any of the existing award categories, but was an outstanding entry.
- Holidays in the Vue Committee Choice – The Holidays in the Vue Steering Committee & Founders will select their favorite entrant deserving of special recognition for their meticulous planning and attention to detail.
- Best of Show – Overall entry that embodies the holiday spirit in an impressive manner.

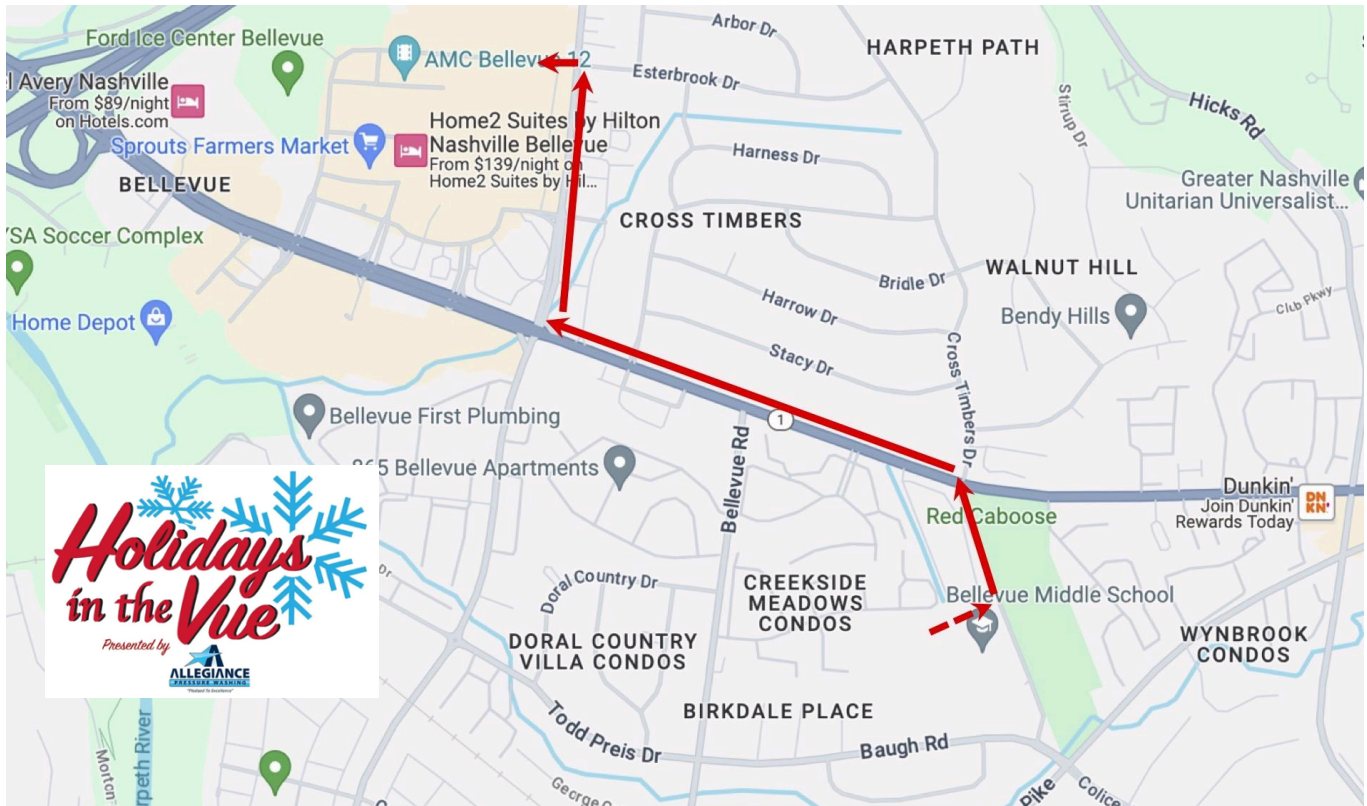
Sponsorships and Entry Fees for our Parade are collected and priced to cover the various costs of conducting the annual Parade, which include Metro permit fees, security/traffic control, insurance, community notification, etc. The Parade is organized by Holidays in the Vue, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Participation in the 2026 Holidays in the Vue Parade involves various risks, dangers and hazards, which all participants (adults and minors) assume by their willing participation. Every entry must have a signed Waiver, Release and Indemnity Agreement to participate.

For additional information regarding:

- **Holidays in the Vue Parade** - holidaysinthevue@gmail.com
- **Parade Permit** - Gordon Richard - gordon.richard@nashville.gov - 615.862.8597
- **Traffic Control** - Tiffany Cooper, Crowe Overwatch Security - tcooper@overwatchtn.com - 615.430.6171

2026 Holidays in the Vue Parade Map



Parade Staging & Step Off

Bellevue Middle School
655 Colice Jeanne Rd
Nashville, TN 37221

Route

Step off from Bellevue Middle School with a left onto Colice Jeanne Road
Left on Highway 70 South
Right on Sawyer Brown Road
Left into One Bellevue Place at Sawyer Brown Road / Esterbrook Drive

Parade Release

One Bellevue Place
7620 Hwy 70S
Nashville, TN 37221